

**MINUTES OF THE  
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
HELD AT THE INDIA INTERNATIONAL CENTRE  
ON WEDNESDAY, 8<sup>TH</sup> MAY, 2002**

1. The President called the meeting to order and welcomed all the members.
2. Mrs.Kavita Ratra mentioned that during the President-ship of Mrs.Gita Kapurthala, she had not been given a chance of voicing her objections to certain matters. Mrs.Noni Singh said that as it was not right to comment on the working of another Committee, the matter would not be taken up for discussion.
3. As there were no other points to be clarified regarding the Minutes of the AGM 2001, they were passed by the General Membership. Mrs.Connie Gupta was the proposer and Mrs.Mona Aggarwal the seconder.
4. The 1<sup>st</sup> VP, Mrs.Maki Mehta, gave her report for the year 2001-2002. She thanked the Executive Committee and her Circle Leaders for all their support. (Report attached).
5. The 2<sup>nd</sup> VP, Mrs.Sibylle Von Welck, read out her report for the year giving a brief summary of the General Meetings which had been held during the year. (Report attached).
6. The Treasurer, Mrs.Sunaina Aggarwal, gave her report. She clarified that the General Meeting expenses for the year 2001-2002 were much higher than the previous year because a sum of approx. Rs.40,000/- was actually expenses incurred by the previous committee in the months of April and May.

She suggested that the money lying in the Bank in the form of FDRs should be used as the club was paying tax on them. Mrs.Bapsi Nariman also recommended the same.

Sunaina also suggested that all Circle Leaders should clear their accounts in their year itself rather than leaving it to the next Committee to do so.

Mrs.Lakshmi Chandra & Mrs. Pushpa Vadera suggested that the club should buy a mike but the President explained that maintenance was problem with these gadgets and that the club had bought a secondhand projector earlier which was now just lying idle as it was not working.

As there were no more clarifications to be made the accounts were deemed as passed. Mrs. Deep Dugal proposed the resolution and Mrs. Kavita Ratra seconded it.

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7. The Membership Chairperson, Mrs. Nathalie Trouvery, gave her review for the year.

She gave the latest status regarding WIC membership both for foreigners as well as for Indian.

She suggested that instead of the passport, perhaps the origin of the member should be the criteria for membership. This would enable certain people who could prove to be useful assets of the Club to get membership which otherwise they cannot as the Special Category of Members is absolutely full and there seems to be little chance of a vacancy in the near future. Mrs. Veena Dass said that this could create complications if the members had parents of different origin.

Nathalie also recommended that the 10-year members should be allowed to reapply after a moratorium of 2 years. (Report attached).

Mrs.Kavita voiced her concern that at this rate the WIC would soon be a Club of 10-year members.

8. The Hospitality Chairperson, Mrs.Radhika Birla, thanked the Committee and the Circle Leaders for all their help as also the members who had hosted the various programmes and those who had helped in bringing refreshments.
9. The Newsletter Editor Mrs.Gaby Stocker, gave her report for the year. She mentioned that the cost of the newsletters and postage was slightly lower this year. She requested the members to be more punctual for the programmes and hoped that the number of 'no-shows' would be less in the new WIC year. (Report attached).
10. The Secretary, Mrs.Sunita Judge, thanked the Committee and wished the new Committee the very best for the next year.
11. The President, Mrs.Noni Singh, read out her report giving a brief review of the year. (Report attached).

Mrs.Sheila Thadani mentioned that the name of Vadehra Art Gallery should not have been mentioned in the newsletter as the Club does not promote company interests. She was referring to the note giving the date and venue of the Special Programme on the paintings of Anjolie Ela Menon. Noni replied that it was a genuine mistake and care would be taken that it was not repeated in the future.

The President thanked the Nominating Committee and welcomed the new Executive Committee.

12. The new Executive Committee for the year 2002-03 took over and the President, Mrs.Sheila Ghatate, gave a brief speech.

The meeting was adjourned with a vote of thanks.



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